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SUBJECT: GUATEMALAN FONMIN'S LETTER TO THE SECRETARY

1. LETTER IN SPANISH TO SECRETARY KISSINGER FROM FONMIN MOLINA, HANDED AMBASSADOR SEPTEMBER 16, RUNS TO FIVE DOUBLE-SPACED PAGES AND REVIEWS ONCE AGAIN THE HISTORY OF DISPUTE. IT NOTES THAT 15TH GA APPROVED AN EXCEPTION TO RIGHT OF SELF-DETERMINATION, I.E. ANY CASE WHICH WOULD BREAK TOTALLY OR PARTIALLY THE NATIONAL UNITY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF A COUNTRY. TO IGNORE THIS DECISION, MOLINA'S LETTER WARNS, "COULD THREATEN THE PEACE OF THE REGION AND WOULD MAKE HARMONIOUS COEXISTENCE IMPOSSIBLE BETWEEN STATES IN MANY PARTS OF THE WORLD."

2. LETTER SAYS GOG "CONTINUES WITH GREATEST GOOD WILL TO
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SEEK A SOLUTION TO THE DISPUTE OVER BELIZE THAT TAKES

ACCOUNT OF ASPIRATIONS AND DESIRES OF LOCAL POPULATION OF BELIZE AS WELL AS RIGHTS OF GUATEMALA. NEGOTIATIONS WITH HMG TO THAT END ...ARE NOT SUSPENDED AND MY GOVERNMENT HOLDS THE HOPE THAT THEY CAN CONTINUE IN A SPIRIT OF COMPREHENSION IN VERY NEAR FUTURE."

3. HOWEVER, "SOME LOCAL LEADERS OF BELIZE" MAY WISH SUBJECT DEBATED AT UNGA AND SHOULD THAT OCCUR, GOG SEEKS SUPPORT OF RECIPIENT GOVERNMENTS (LETTER GIVEN TO ALL RESIDENT CHIEFS OF MISSIONS) FOR RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING "THAT THE NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE BETWEEN THE PARTIES WITH THE PURPOSE OF RESOLVING THIS DISPUTE PEACFULLY AND IN HARMONY WITH PRINCIPLES OF (UN) CHARTER. SIMILAR RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN APPROVED IN SIMILAR CASES, SUCH AS THOSE OF GIBRALTAR AND MALVINAS ISLANDS." COVERING LETTER TO AMBASSADORS CONTAINS SIMILAR LANGUAGE EXCEPT FOR INSERTION OF WORD "ONLY" ON PHRASE DESCRIBING WHAT IN GOG VIEW UNGA RESOLUTION SHOULD RECOMMEND - I.E., IT SHOULD NOT RECOMMEND ANYTHING ELSE SUCH AS IMMEDIATE INDEPENDENCE.

4. ORIGINAL OF LETTER BEING POUCHED.
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